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From: Farak, Sonja (DPH) [/O=COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS/OU=MASSMAIL-01/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=SONJA.FARAK]
Sent: 9/21/2011 11:15:10 AM
To: Rosenberg, Stan C (SEN) [stan.rosenberg@masenate.gov]
Subject: RE: state drug lab status

Thank you for everything you are doing. Hope everything works out well for you health-wise.

-Sonja

-----Original Message-----

From: Rosenberg, Stan C (SEN) [mailto:stan.rosenberg@masenate.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, September 20, 2011 9:25 PM
To: Farak, Sonja (DPH)
Subject: Re: state drug lab status

Sorry for delay in writing. Been dealing with a health problem. Comm doesn't want it to close budget problems creating a number of areas of cuts.
22 western mass legislators have signed my letter to budget chairs asking for the money needed to keep it open. We will stay on top of this.
Stan

-----Original Message-----

From: Farak, Sonja (DPH)
To: Rosenberg, Stan C (SEN)
Subject: RE: state drug lab status
Sent: Sep 7, 2011 8:12 AM

Senator Rosenberg-

I'm curious as to how your meeting with the Commissioner of Public Health went a couple of weeks ago regarding the (possible?) closure of the state drug lab in Amherst. As one of the four employees of the drug lab, I feel that we are being left out of the loop and our lives have been put on hold as we try to patiently await any word of what is going on, whether it be good news or bad. All of us at the lab would greatly appreciate any knowledge that you have of this situation and feel that we deserve to know the fate of our public service. Thank you in advance for your all of your help.

Respectfully,

Sonja

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From: Rosenberg, Stan C (SEN) [mailto:Stan.Rosenberg@masenate.gov] Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 1:02 PM To: Kane, Wendy Subject: Re: state drug lab status

Thanks for your email and your suggestion. I will explore all opportunities for keeping the office in Western Mass.DPH isn't a bad agency but they like all other agencies are struggling with budget cuts so although there are undoubtedly other agencies that would be appropriate to house the lab I suspect they would balk unless they get the funding for it. I'll do my best to help work this out. Stan

From: Kane, Wendy [mailto:WKane@wmls.org] Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 12:35 PM To: Rosenberg, Stan C (SEN) Cc: 'sfarak@hotmail.com' <sfarak@hotmail.com> Subject: state drug lab status

Dear Senator Rosenberg: